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FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3758

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMG, BE

SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: STATE 97854

1. IN ABSENCE OF APPROPRIATE TOP-LEVEL FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS (MOST ARE HEADING HOME FROM FAR EAST TRIP WITH PRIMIN TINDEMANS) WE MADE ORAL DEMARCHE AS INSTRUCTED TO AMBASSADOR PAPEIANS, ACTING CHIEF OF FAR EAST SERVICE. WE WENT OVER POINTS ONE TO SIX OF REFTEL WITH PAPEIANS, WHO ELICITED ADDITIONAL DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING SCOPE OF US EFFORT ON BEHALF OF REGUGEES.

2. AT CONCLUSION PAPEIANS ASSURED US THAT OUR DEMARCHE WOULD BE BROUGHT TO ATTENTION OF DECISION-MAKING LEVEL OF BELGIAN GOVERNMENT. HE GAVE IT AS HIS PERSONAL OPINION THAT THE VIETNAMESE AND CAMBODIANS NOW IN BELGIUM (SUCH AS DIPLOMATS) WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM IN OBTAINING PERMANENT RESIDENCE. LIKEWISE, HE THOUGHT THOSE WITH PERSONAL TIES WITH BELGIAN CITIZENS WOULD BE GRANTED HAVEN.

3. WE EMPHASIZED THAT US REGARDS THIS AS A MAJOR HUMANITARIAN EFFORT IN WHICH ALL COUNTRIES SHOULD
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PROPERLY PLAY A PART. WE SAID WE EXPECTED AMBASSADOR

WILL RETURN TO THIS MATTER WHEN HE SEES FOREIGN MINISTER
VAN ELSLANDE AFTER THE LATTER'S RETURN TO BRUSSELS AT
END OF THIS WEEK.
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